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Gulf War ends

*Local
people
elated*

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Goldsboro and Wayne County residents today expressed elation, pride and guarded optimism at the news of a cease-fire in the Persian Gulf War.

Debbie Clayton, wife of 1st Sgt. Robert Clayton of the Fremont National Guard, said the wives she spoke with Wednesday night will not feel safe until "our men's feet are on U.S. ground or Saddam Hussein is dead and gone."

"We don't believe it's over," Mrs. Clayton said. "We know the way he (Saddam) plays dirty pool. I think he still has something up his sleeve."

The guardsmen, members of the 691st Maintenance Company, will have to clean up the vehicles and mines left on the battlegrounds, said Mrs. Clayton. "I'm afraid that in a month they'll relax and stop carrying their gas masks and then something will happen."

Harry Lane of Goldsboro said the



Kuwait liberated

An American Special Forces soldier is mobbed by jubilant Kuwaiti City

residents as the city was liberated from Iraqi forces. (AP Laserphoto)

Victory in Gulf praised

*All allied demands
accepted by Iraq*

By The Associated Press

The battlefields of the Persian Gulf were quiet today. Saddam Hussein's Iraq, broken by a six-week beating in the air and on the ground, bowed to all allied demands and heeded to the cease-fire announced by President Bush.

World leaders and ordinary Americans alike hailed the cease-fire that appeared to herald the end of the Persian Gulf War — and turned to the sober task of reckoning its costs in blood, money and hatred.

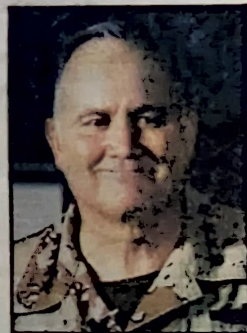
"The cease-fire is holding fine,"

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said the commander of British forces, Lt. Gen. Peter de la Billiere. "I don't think there's much left of the Iraqis to have an incident with."

"The cease-fire does appear to be holding," agreed a senior Pentagon military official. He said there have been small skirmishes, exchanges with groups of 10 or 15 who "haven't got the word" that hostilities had ceased.

At least 126 allied troops were killed in the war. Seventy-nine



Smile of success

A smile sneaks onto the usually stony face of Central Command Chief Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf as he talks about the success of the Coalition Forces in liberating Kuwait. Schwarzkopf said at one point that he had been easily taken aback by

Harry Lane of Goldsboro said the news allowed him to get the first good night's sleep he's had in a week.

Lane's son, Jon Mark, is a helicopter pilot with the Army's 24th Cavalry Division, which was in the thick of the fighting.

"I'm just tickled to death the shooting has stopped," Lane said. "I've had a good day today."

Cynthia Hornburg, wife of 4th TFW Commander Col. Hal Hornburg, and Carol Rathje, wife of Col. Norman Rathje, commander of the 68th Air Refueling Wing, said that while they are elated over the cease-fire, the war will only really be over when all Seymour Johnson AFB personnel have returned home.

Col. Rathje said he is delighted and optimistic that the cease-fire will lead to peace.

Col. Allan C. Hathcock, the 4th Tactical Fighter Wing's deputy commander for resource management, said "Like other military units, we welcome the cease-fire and hope it will lead to lasting peace in the area."

Col. John Batbie Jr., commander of the 916th Air Refueling Group, all Air Force reservists, said "I'm really excited...what I sense from the people here is that we are quietly waiting for the overall situation to

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by leaders in coalition

By The Associated Press Writer

World leaders in the anti-Iraq coalition declared victory in the Persian Gulf War today but said the Middle East was a long way from peace.

They said the allies defeated Iraq because they stood firm against Saddam Hussein, but a leading Soviet official claimed Mikhail Gorbachev's peace plan was the basis for today's cease-fire.

The truce brought words of caution from Israel, which again threatened to attack Iraq if Hussein fired more Scud missiles at the Jewish state. Jordanian officials said the end of the war did not solve the Middle East's problems.

British Prime Minister John Major, whose forces played a prominent role in the war, said "right has prevailed" with the defeat of Iraq, adding: "Now we must look to the future and secure the peace."

In Paris, Defense Minister Pierre Joxe said French troops would re-

main in Iraq until the United Nations works out cease-fire details.

"The hour of the United Nations has sounded once again," Joxe told a news conference. As for the future of Saddam Hussein: "It's an affair that concerns the Iraqis."

Germany's foreign minister, Hans-Dietrich Genscher, suggested the Iraqi people should replace the Iraqi president.

"It is a matter for the Iraqi people to now decide who should carry responsibility for this country in the future, because Saddam Hussein has excluded himself from the world community with his policies and his crimes," he said.

Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke said the cease-fire proposal was a moment of "great relief and hope, of great pride and great sorrow."

"We are sad that it has been necessary to resort to war. ... But we are glad that the world has stood united against his act of aggression

even to the ultimate sanction of war," Hawke told a news conference.

U.S.-led allied troops stopped fighting this morning under orders of President Bush, who said they would hold their fire as long as Iraq stopped shooting at troops and launching Scud missiles. Baghdad radio later said Iraqi troops also stopped fighting.

Reporters said some Baghdad residents shot guns in the air to celebrate the cease-fire.

Diplomats at the United Nations said Iraq promised it would honor all U.N. Security Council resolutions on the war, which include provisions on reparations, human rights violations and an arms embargo.

"It's over, it's finally over," said Italian Defense Minister Virginio Rognoni. "Diplomacy and the will of man must now work for peace and how to preserve it."

ground war, and 52 others were listed as non-combat deaths.

Iraqi casualties were far, far higher, with one estimate ranging up to 100,000. Allied commanders have refused to provide any count of Iraqi war dead, and Iraq has issued none recently.

Continuation of the cease-fire was contingent on a halt to Iraqi attacks — in the war zone or with missiles — and other conditions including the immediate release of prisoners of war and any captured civilians.

Iraq's army was in shambles today, decimated by the allies' lightning four-day ground offensive and the withering 5½-week air assault that preceded it.

The fighting reached its peak Wednesday, as allied armies recaptured Kuwait City and lanced to within 150 miles of Baghdad.

"There was nothing between us and Baghdad," said Operation Desert Storm commander Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf. He said the allies could have walked into the Iraqi capital unmolested, but had no intention of conquering Iraq.

Iraq's best forces were devastated in what was billed as the biggest tank battle since World War II.

But the Pentagon source said the Republican Guard tanks "never fought the way you thought a division would fight. We just kind of chased them across the plains, shooting at them," he said.

Kuwaitis, in the chilly dawn of their first full day of freedom, tempered their rejoicing as they surveyed the ruins of their reclaimed country.

"It's a catastrophe. It's indescribable," said Fahd el-Muhammed as he gazed at Kuwait City's once-elegant waterfront, disfigured by twisted barbed wire and Iraqi fortifications.

In the Iraqi capital, Baghdad radio signed on this morning with patriotic songs and its standard denunciation of the allies as "criminal invaders."

At first, it did not mention the halt in hostilities. But later, a military communique was read, announcing the suspension of allied attacks and telling Iraqi troops to respond in kind.

"We are happy for the halt in

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Fire destroys Faison business

By LYNN WOOTEN
News-Argus Staff Writer

FAISON — A fire described by on-lookers as the worst blaze to strike this Duplin County town in about 75 years devastated a downtown business early this morning.

A two-story building occupied by Turner's Auto Parts, a longtime member of the Faison business community, was destroyed following a fire that broke out around 2 a.m. today.

The fire started in a back room of the structure, located at the corner of Main and Sampson streets in the center of the downtown area, according to Faison Fire Chief Glenn Jernigan.

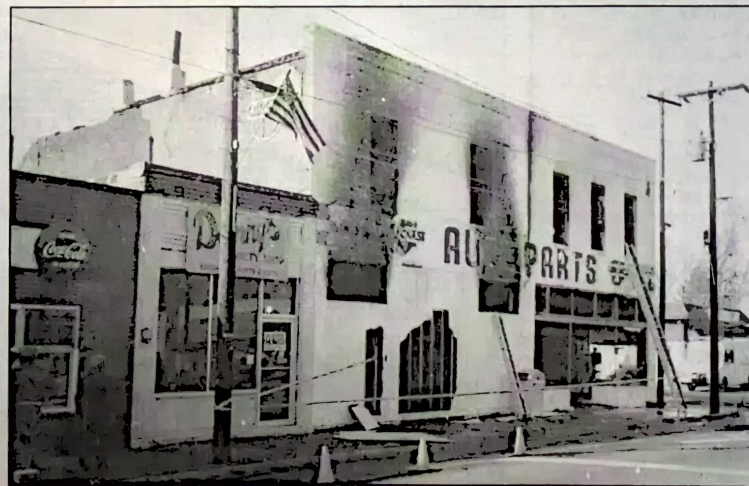
The cause of the fire is still under investigation, Jernigan said. No damage estimates have been made, he added.

A Car Quest auto parts dealership, Turner's was owned by Charles Turner of the Summerlin's Crossroads community near Mount Olive.

Plate-glass windows along the front of the structure were shattered and merchandise inside was coated in thick, dark soot.

A back brick wall crumbled and fell inward, causing part of the upper story roof to fall through the second floor.

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'Worst' fire in years

Turner's Auto Parts, located on Main Street in Faison, was ravaged by fire early this morning. The cause of the blaze is under investigation.

Firefighters battled for three hours before bringing it under control. (Staff photo by Lynn Wooten)

=Quickies=

Late taxes

Delinquent Wayne County taxpayers who want to avoid having their names printed in the News-Argus listing must be sure their payments are received by the county tax office by 5 p.m. Friday. Advertising charges and an extra month's interest will be added to the bills of those people who have not paid, tax officials say.

Fewer mistakes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internal Revenue Service says taxpayers are making fewer errors than usual on this year's tax returns. The number of returns filed through Feb. 22 is up 0.3 percent from last year while all five major types of errors found in the past are down, the IRS said Wednesday.

Scott speaker

Former Gov. Bob Scott, president of the North Carolina Community College system, will be the featured speaker at this week's Chamber of Commerce Friday Forum. The event will be held in the dining room at Wayne Community College on Wayne Memorial Drive. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. and the cost including breakfast is \$5 per person.

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NEWS DIGEST

Stage set for Cranston censure

WASHINGTON — The Senate Ethics Committee says Sen. Alan Cranston may have committed major ethics violations, but no action is needed against the four other members of the Keating Five.

Cranston, D-Calif., is fighting the allegations, while his colleagues are trumpeting the conclusion of their cases.

The six-member committee's unanimous report Wednesday set the stage for possible censure of Cranston by the full Senate.

The panel said it found "substantial credible evidence" that "Senator Cranston engaged in an impermissible pattern of conduct in which fund-raising and official activities were substantially linked."



Nursing home residence likely

BOSTON — Nearly 1 million Americans who turned 65 last year are likely to live in nursing homes before they die, and almost 200,000 will spend more than five years there, according to a study released today.

"Over a lifetime, the risk of entering a nursing home and spending a long time there is substantial," researchers wrote.

The study projects that of 2.2 million Americans who turned 65 last year, more than 900,000 of them — or 43 percent — are expected to enter a nursing home at least once before they die.

In their analysis of the findings, the researchers questioned whether nursing homes, which now cost an average of about \$25,000 a year, should remain the mainstay of care for the elderly.

Communist leaders accused

MOSCOW — A group of reform-minded military officers has charged that eight Communist leaders tried to overthrow the secessionist government of Lithuania during the Baltic crackdown last month.

The group said President Mikhail S. Gorbachev must have known about the plot, but it offered no concrete evidence.

The officers released a report Wednesday that concluded Soviet troops were responsible for the deaths of 15 people during an attack on the television station in Lithuania's capital, Vilnius. Their report was published in the liberal weekly Moscow News.

The report by the officers, who call themselves Shchit, or Shield, rejected the military's claim that troops were fired on by demonstrators.

Centrist party leads in Bangladesh

DHAKA, Bangladesh — A centrist party led by the widow of a slain president seized a commanding lead today in returns from parliamentary elections, but its strongest rival claimed fraud and called for new voting.

The incomplete results indicated no single party would be able to win a majority, resulting in a coalition government.

The elections mark the first democratic transition of power since Bangladesh gained independence from Pakistan in 1971. All the country's previous nine governments took charge following coups or assassinations.

The parties in Wednesday's elections were vying to replace a caretaker government that succeeded the administration of President Hussain Muhammad Ershad. He resigned in December under pressure from opponents who said he was corrupt and authoritarian.

Bulgaria nuclear plant outdated

KOZLODUI, Bulgaria — Bulgaria's only nuclear plant is dangerously outdated and understaffed, but keeps running because it provides 40 percent of the electricity in a country that already rationes

its electricity. The plant, 125 miles north of Sofia, must be shut down for refueling. It can produce 1,000 megawatts, more than one-third of Kozlodui's capacity.

"A halt in the energy supply from Kozlodui could mean the death of many more people than ... the worst accident," said Yonko Gledachev, chief engineer of four of the six Soviet-built reactors, ex-

The Weather

Warming trend ahead

By The Associated Press

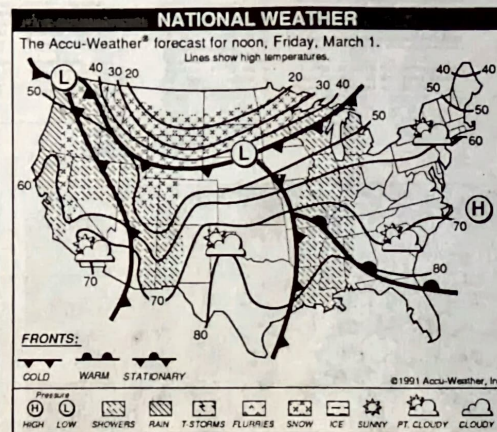
A high pressure system over the Southeast will move east today, resulting in a warming trend across North Carolina, the National Weather Service says.

It will be mostly sunny and warmer today with highs in the 50s and 60s. Fair skies will be the rule tonight, except for partly cloudy conditions in the mountains. Lows will range from the mid 30s to the

mid 40s.

As winds shift to the south Friday, moisture will increase over the state. It will be variably cloudy in the mountains and partly cloudy across the rest of the state with highs ranging from the upper 50s and lower 60s in the mountains to the lower and middle 70s in the southeast.

Along the coast winds will shift to the south tonight and Friday.



Weather forecast

Partly cloudy skies are forecast for the Wayne County area Friday. Rain is expected for the Mississippi River Valley and most of the West with snow in the higher elevations. Snow also is predicted across the northern tier. (AP Lasergraphic)

N.C. area forecasts

WAYNE-DUPLIN AREA

Tonight, fair. Low in the mid 40s. Friday, Partly cloudy and mild. High around 70.

COAST

Tonight, fair. Low in the mid 40s. South wind 10 mph. Friday, partly

cloudy and mild. High 70 to 75.

PIEDMONT

Thursday mostly sunny and warmer. High around 60. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph. Tonight, fair. Low near 40. South wind 10 mph. Friday, partly cloudy and warmer. High in the upper 60s.

MOUNTAINS

Tonight partly cloudy. Low 35 to 40. Friday variable cloudiness and drizzle. High around 60.

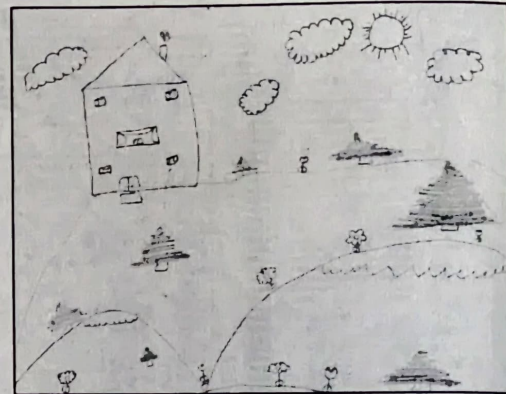
Marine forecast

By The Associated Press

The National Weather Service marine forecast for North Carolina coastal waters from south of Virginia Beach to Little River inlet, out 20 nautical miles, and for Pamlico and Albemarle sounds:

Local weather

Following is the weather report, recorded by B.E. Dean, for the 24-



A partly cloudy day

Amber Bundy, a third grader at Belfast School, shows a partly cloudy day in her drawing. She is the daughter of Bonnie Bundy of Rt. 8, Goldsboro.



The nation's weather

By The Associated Press

Much of the nation saw wintry weather this morning, with snow, wind and rain in the Northeast and Midwest. There was more rain in California and snow in higher elevations in the West.

A winter storm watch was in effect today over the Sierra Nevada of California between Lake Tahoe and Yosemite.

Another inch or two of snow fell overnight in northwest lower Michigan, the National Weather Service said.

Snow was scattered Wednesday night over much of the Northeast and upper Midwest, while rain extended over most of California.

Snow was forecast today from Montana east through the Great Lakes' states, as well as in New England. A low-pressure cold front is bringing more rain to California, New Mexico, Arizona and a mix of rain and snow to Nevada, Utah and Colorado.

High winds were expected in Colorado, Wyoming and northeast New Mexico. Strong winds reached the western Great Plains.

Scattered showers were expected

3-day forecast

Partly cloudy Saturday. A chance

in Florida.

The high temperature for the nation Wednesday was 82 degrees at Gila Bend, Ariz.

Other reports at 6 a.m. EST:

—East: Albany, N.Y. 22 fair; Atlanta 38 fair; Boston 27 cloudy; Buffalo 22; Charleston, S.C. 38 fair; Chattanooga 31 fair; Cincinnati 33 fair; Cleveland 23 foggy; Detroit 25 cloudy; Hattiesburg 38 fair; Jacksonville 50 cloudy; Key West 70 partly cloudy; Knoxville 35 fair; Macon 34 partly cloudy; Miami 60 foggy; New York 34 fair; Philadelphia 33 fair; Pittsburgh 30 snow; Portland, Maine 21 fair; Richmond 32 fair; Tampa 34 cloudy; Washington, D.C. 32 fair.

—Central: Birmingham 44 partly cloudy; Bismarck 27 cloudy; Chicago 31 snow.

Temperatures

By The Associated Press

City	HI	Low	Prcp
Asheville	52	22	0.00
Atlanta	57	36	0.00
Augusta	60	29	0.00
Charleston	58	36	0.00
Charlotte	54	34	0.00
Columbia	58	30	0.00
Fayville	53	30	0.00
Goldsboro	55	35	0.00
Greensboro	50	23	0.00

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The shortages will get worse in March because the largest functioning reactor at the plant, 125 miles north of Sofia, must be shut down for refueling. It can produce 1,000 megawatts, more than one-third of Kozlodui's capacity.

"A halt in the energy supply from Kozlodui could mean the death of many more people than ... the worst accident," said Yonko Gledachev, chief engineer of four of the six Soviet-built reactors, explaining why the plant was kept open.

"More people would die of hunger and cold than of such an accident," he said in an interview.

Florida DWI crackdown scores big

MIAMI — Florida's new crackdown on chronic drunk drivers scored big in the early going and drew attention from police departments in other states. But the pace of arrests has slowed and some of the initial offenders got less than the expected tough treatment.

In launching Operation Roundup last month, Florida highway officials made a list of 200 repeat drunk drivers apparently still on the road — despite revoked licenses, no insurance and at least six drunk-driving convictions.

Highway Patrol troopers in four counties, some working undercover, stake out these "worst of the worst" and arrest them if they drive.

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Marine forecast

By The Associated Press

The National Weather Service marine forecast for North Carolina coastal waters from south of Virginia Beach to Little River Inlet, out 20 nautical miles, and for Pamlico and Albemarle sounds:

High pressure centered off the North Carolina-Virginia coast will move northeast today.

In the ocean through Friday, south winds will be 15 to 20 knots with seas at 4 feet.

In the sounds through Friday, south winds will be 15 knots with waves at 2 feet.

MOUNTAINS

Tonight partly cloudy. Low 35 to 40. Friday variable cloudiness and breezy. High around 60.

Local weather

Following is the weather report, recorded by B.E. Dean, for the 24-hour period ending today at 8 a.m.:

Yesterday's High.....53

Today's Low.....33

8 a.m. Today.....36

Month's Rainfall.....2.40

Sunrise and sunset

March 1

6:42 a.m., 6:07 p.m.

High winds were expected in Colorado, Wyoming and northeast New Mexico. Strong winds reached the western Great Plains.

Scattered showers were expected

3-day forecast

Partly cloudy Saturday. A chance of showers and thunderstorms in the mountains. Scattered showers and thunderstorms Sunday. Warm with weekend highs in the upper 60s to mid 70s. Lows mid 40s to mid 50s. Scattered showers Monday with partial clearing in the west. Highs in the 80s. Lows in the 40s except some 50s at the coast.

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City	52	22	0.00
Asheville	57	36	0.00
Atlanta	60	29	0.00
Augusta	58	36	0.00
Charlotte	54	34	0.00
Charlotte	58	30	0.00
Fay'sville	53	30	0.00
Greensboro	55	35	0.00
Greensboro	50	32	0.00
Greer	55	29	0.00
Hatteras	50	35	0.00
Hickory	53	27	0.00
Jack'sville	55	31	0.00
New Bern	52	30	0.00
Raleigh	52	33	0.00
Rky Mt.-Wilson	52	34	0.00
Savannah	61	35	0.00
Wilmington	56	31	0.00

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Military machine of Saddam smashed like toy soldiers

By GEORGE ESPER
AP Special Correspondent

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) — U.S. forces crumbled Saddam Hussein's military machine like so many toy soldiers and tanks in a lightning 100-hour land offensive that stunned Americans as well as Iraqis with its speed and finality.

Not since World War II had America sent so many troops, tanks, warplanes and ships into action, with more than half a million men and women stretched across the sands of Arabia.

The U.S.-led coalition simply overpowered and outmaneuvered the Iraqis with high-tech weapons that proved reliable in their first combat test. Not in the last half-century had America won so big. Iraq's air force of about 700 aircraft was never even a threat and its navy — small to begin with with 22 vessels and six captured Kuwaiti missile craft — was quickly sunk or disabled.

Even before the ground war began on Sunday, allied warplanes subjected Iraqi positions to 5½ weeks of relentless pounding, choking supply lines, disrupting communications and methodically hammering strategic targets.

Iraqi forces then reeled in retreat under pressure of the biggest U.S. tank and airborne assault since World War II. They were chased to within a Sunday drive of Baghdad before President Bush ordered a halt to the allied attacks.

"Ladies and gentlemen ... we were 150 miles from Baghdad and there was nothing between us and Baghdad," Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, the commander of Operation Desert Storm, declared on Wednesday.

A new military doctrine that preached bypassing enemy strengths and striking with speed and air-land coordination had vanquished an army "softened" in more than 50,000 combat mission by allied pilots.

U.S. officers said allied forces knocked out 40% of Iraq's 42 divisions, each averaging 12,000 troops. The allies also destroyed or captured more than 3,000 of the 5,000 tanks Iraq had in the war theater, 1,837 of its 5,000 armored vehicles and 2,140 of its 3,500 artillery pieces.

U.S. losses were put at 79 killed — 28 of them in the ground campaign — and 213 wounded.

In their last desperate stand, Iraqi tank crews fought a losing battle against America's top armored divisions Wednesday in the desert outside the southern Iraqi city of Basra.

It was the biggest armor engagement since World War II.

Hundreds of tanks of the U.S. 1st and 3rd Armored Divisions and 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment, assisted by Britain's 1st Armored Division, clashed with Republican Guard armor in a showdown that aimed to push the Iraqi army's beleaguered remnants into the Basra corner.

Scores of Iraqi tanks lay in flames, smoldering in dug-in fortifications of sand and dirt.

Far to the northwest of Basra, troops of the U.S. 101st Airborne Division stood less than 150 miles from Baghdad in the deepest allied penetration of Iraq.

Allied troops attacked Iraqi positions until the cease-fire took effect at 8 a.m. (midnight EST). U.S. commanders said, with the fighting concentrated near Basra and in northern Kuwait, where demoralized Iraqi troops were trying to head home.

Across the vast theater of operations, abandoned tanks testified to the speedy retreat of the Iraqis. The 1st Marine Division alone found at least 400.

Schwarzkopf said allied forces had pulled off two feints that helped throw the Iraqis off guard.

A 17,000-man Marine amphibious force on 33 ships was poised in the Persian Gulf as if it were going to make a landing on the Kuwaiti coast, an attack that would have been the biggest amphibious assault since Inchon in Korea.

That ruse forced the Iraqis to concentrate forces along the coast.

In the second ruse, tens of thousands of allied troops rapidly shifted from east to west along the northern Saudi border to outflank the enemy, then pushed deep into Iraq.

Helicopters dropped forward bases deep in Iraq while special forces teams scouted out enemy positions even farther into hostile territory.

Ground War: Step by Step

Setting the Stage

OCCUPYING FORCE: 545,000 Iraqis in Kuwait

BUILDUP: U.S. positions the 101st and 82nd Airborne divisions, 24th Mechanized Infantry and 3rd Armored Cavalry behind Saudi Arabian task force

GROUND FORCES BLUFF: Allied forces are aligned opposite Iraqi positions in Kuwait so that it appeared they planned to attack the Iraqi positions directly. The Iraqis build an extensive barrier on the border and along the east coast of Kuwait.

Feb. 23, 1991: Before the Storm

The allied strategy in the war relied on two feints:

① A threatened amphibious assault on the Kuwaiti coast. Purpose: Force the Iraqis to deploy their forces along the coast — which they did.

② A last-minute shift of vast numbers of allied soldiers to the west, allowing them to enter Iraq west of the dug-in Iraqi forces. The Iraqis are unaware of this movement because their air force had been put out of action.

Feb. 24: The Attack Begins

4:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME:

① 1st and 2nd Marine Divisions launch attacks through the barrier system, accompanied by the U.S. Army Tiger Brigade of the 2nd Armored Division.

② French 6th Armored Division, accompanied by U.S. units, launch an overland attack to the As Salman airfield.

③ Two Saudi task forces breach the Iraqi border defenses and continue attacking up the east coast.

8:00 A.M.:

④ 101st Airborne launches an assault deep into enemy territory to establish a forward operating base.

AFTERNOON:

⑤ Diversionary Pan-Arab and Saudi attacks.

⑥ U.S. 24th Mechanized Division crosses the border.

⑦ U.S. Vllth Corps, 1st and 3rd Army Divisions and 2nd Cavalry Division cross the border.

⑧ U.S. 1st Infantry Division and British 1st Armored Division cross the border.

SPECIAL FORCES: had been sent deep into enemy territory to observe.

Feb. 25-26: Tightening the Vise

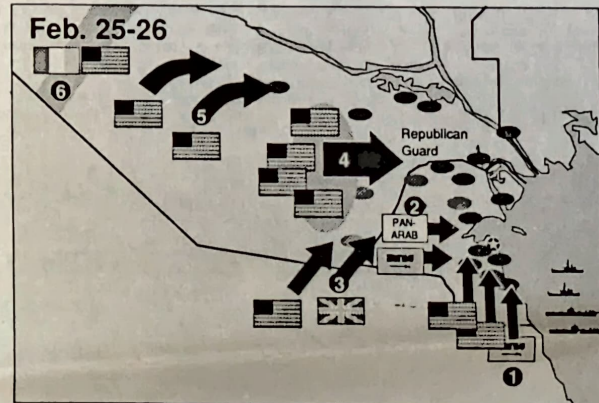
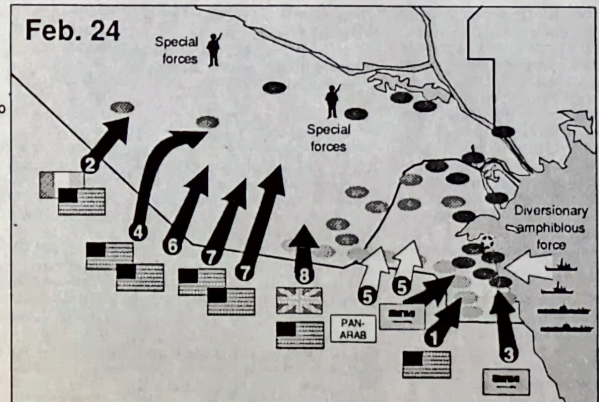
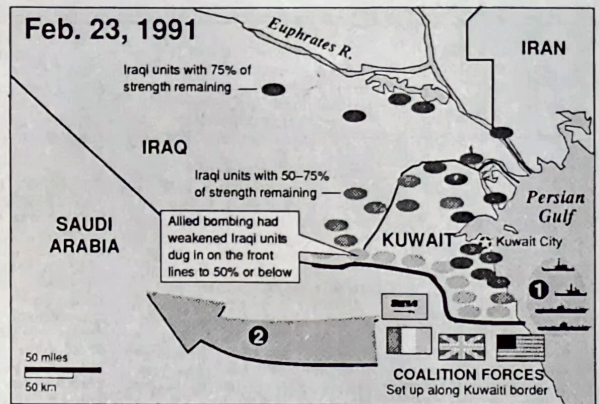
① Saudis continue up the eastern flank.

② Saudi and Arab forces turn towards Kuwait City.

③ British unit continues to attack.

④ U.S. Vllth Corps sweeps eastward toward the Republican Guard.

⑤ 24th Infantry Division moves into the Tigris and



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sions, each averaging 12,000 troops. The allies also destroyed or captured more than 3,000 of the 5,000 tanks Iraq had in the war theater, 1,857 of its 5,000 armored vehicles and 2,140 of its 3,500 artillery pieces.

"There were very, very large numbers of dead," Schwarzkopf said, but he declined to give an estimate.

The Saudi ambassador to Washington, Prince Bandar bin Sultan, quoted Saudi military sources as estimating 85,000 to 100,000 Iraqi soldiers were killed. The Washington Post said in today's editions.

Schwarzkopf said desertions were high among the Iraqis, as much as 30 percent of the troops in some units. At least 80,000 Iraqi troops were taken prisoner, many of them relieved or even delighted to be captured.

the enemy, then pushed deep into Iraq. Helicopters dropped forward bases deep in Iraq while special forces teams scouted out enemy positions even farther into hostile territory.

A new military strategy — the AirLand Battle Doctrine — gave battlefield commanders like Schwarzkopf control over air forces and relied on both moving fighting units swiftly and closely synchronizing their movements.

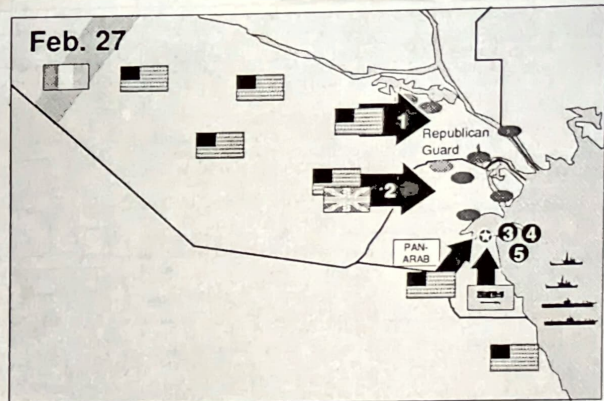
Col. Hal Hornburg, commander of the 4th Tactical Fighter Wing, said combining air and ground operations under a single command was a decisive factor in the allied victory.

The Iraqi air force, though powerful, was never a factor. The allies quickly established superiority in the skies and pounded Iraqi targets at will for the entire war.

- ② Saudi and Arab forces turn towards Kuwait City.
- ③ British unit continues to attack.
- ④ U.S. VIlth Corps sweeps eastward toward the Republican Guard.
- ⑤ 24th Infantry Division moves into the Tigris and Euphrates valley and blocks the only escape route for retreating Iraqi units.
- ⑥ The French set up a flanking position to prevent Iraqi forces from entering from the west.

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- ① XVIIIth Airborne Corps forms solid wall across north, attacking due east.
- ② VIIth Corps also attacks due east.
- ③ Arab forces from both the west and the east close in on Kuwait City.
- ④ 1st Marine Division continues to hold Kuwait International Airport.
- ⑤ The 2nd Marine Division blocks all exits from Kuwait City.



AP/Karl Tate

Much of Iraq's air force fled to Iran, and some Iraqi planes were destroyed on the ground despite Iraqi efforts to shelter them in

hardened bunkers.

While the allies brought in high-tech weaponry, Iraq's most powerful weapons turned out to be among

its crudest. It sowed the Persian Gulf with mines and used modified Scud missiles to terrorize Israel and Saudi Arabia.

Since the war began Jan. 17, Iraq repeatedly fired Scud rockets at Saudi Arabia and at Israel.

More than three dozen were hurled at Israel in a futile attempt to draw the Jewish state into the war and alienate the allied coalition's Arab members. Of those, at least 17 hit Israel or the occupied territories.

Most of the 33 Scuds Iraq lobbed at Saudi Arabia were aimed at the cities of Riyadh, the capital, and Dhahran, site of a huge allied air base.

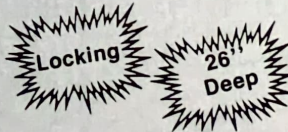
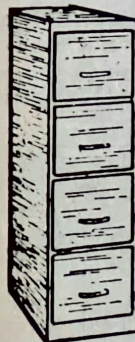
The last Scud attack was the most deadly; 28 Americans died and 89 were wounded when one of the missiles hit a U.S. military barracks in Dhahran on Monday.

Going into the battle, one of the principal allied fears was that Iraq would use chemical weapons. But it never did.

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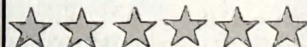


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DEATHS

REV. LEONARD N. BELL

Rev. Leonard N. Bell, 63, of Rt. 3, Goldsboro, died Tuesday at Nurse Care.

He was a retired minister and brick mason and was a member of St. Delight Holiness Church.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at Branch Memorial Tabernacle with Dr. F.C. Barnes and Bishop Leamon Dudley Sr. officiating. Burial will be in Wayne Memorial Park.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret Smith Bell; seven daughters, Linda Bell of the home, Helen Waters, Crystal Bell, Patricia B. Whitfield and Bernice Alston of Goldsboro, Bernita B. Cobb of Kinston and Denise Bineyard of Buffalo, N.Y.; two sons, Leonard E. Bell of the home and Rev. Willie R. Bell of Goldsboro; four sisters, Rev. Lillie Johnson of Goldsboro, Rev. Laura Gardner of LaGrange, Martha Savage of Columbia, Md., and Annie Roberts of Goldsboro; four brothers, Johnny Bell of Philadelphia, Rev. Willie Bell of Durham, James Bell of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Rev. Zebede Bell of Texas; and 18 grandchildren.

There will be an inspirational wake service Friday night at 7 at St. Delight Holiness Church with Elder E.E. Lewis and Rev. Eloise Sessions officiating.

Arrangements are with Seymour Funeral Home.

LLOYD B. MITCHELL

Lloyd Billy Mitchell, 60, of 1415 Higgins St., died today at home.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Seymour Funeral Home.

ROBERT E. CARR

WARSAW — Robert E. Carr, 56, of 101 Pershing St., died Monday.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 3 p.m. at Wilson Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Isaac Johnson officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Lessie Carr of Warsaw; two daughters, Linda Evans of Turkey and Sharon Johnson of Fayetteville; two sons, Robert Carr of Turkey and Algermon Carr of Warsaw; four sisters, Estelle Caldwell of Turkey, Joyce Fryar of Warsaw, Caretha Malone of New Jersey, and Quessie Carr of Charlotte; two brothers, Joseph Carr of Turkey, Willie Carr of White Plains, N.Y.; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Brock Memorial &

CHRISTINE C. DANIEL

Christine Campbell Daniel died today at Medical Park Nursing Home in Mount Olive.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Seymour Funeral Home.

REV. MOTEN N. BROWN JR.

Funeral services for Rev. Moten N. Brown Jr. of 420 W. Pine St. will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at Gospel Light Temple in Genoa. Elder Carlton Jackson will officiate. Burial will be in Buckhorn Cemetery in the Mar Mac community.

He is survived by his wife, Mary H. Brown of Mount Olive; a son, Donnell Hinton of Goldsboro; a daughter, Dorothy Currie of Goldsboro; his father, Moten N. Brown Sr. of Washington, D.C.; a sister, Louise Gilbert of Washington, D.C.; a brother, Bishop Richard L. Brown of Miami, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

The body may be viewed today after 3 p.m. at Lightner Memorial Funeral Home.

ORABYD

LAGRANGE — Ora Byrd, 67, of Rt. 5, LaGrange, died Tuesday at Wayne Memorial Hospital following a lingering illness.

Born in Lenoir County, she was the daughter of the late John Henry and Elissa Byrd. For many years she managed a day care center in Kinston. Prior to her death she was employed as a seamstress with Howell's Child Care Center, Bear Creek Facility.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at LaGrange United Methodist Church with the Rev. Rufus Butler officiating. Burial will be in Westview Cemetery in Kinston.

She is survived by a foster sister, Shirley Greenwood of LaGrange.

The body will lie in state at the church today from 6 until 8 p.m., at which time friends will gather, and prior to the service on Friday.

Funeral arrangements are with Shumate-Faulk Funeral Home in Goldsboro.

SARAH B. PRIDGEN

Sarah B. Pridgen died today at her home in the Central Heights community.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at Rhodes Funeral Home in Goldsboro.

HELEN ROUSE

Funeral services for Helen Rouse of 909B Lincoln Drive will be held Sunday at 1:30 p.m. at St. Mark Church of Christ with the Rev. J.L. Melvin officiating. Burial will be in Spruill Cemetery.

She is survived by a sister, Nina P. Heath of Goldsboro.

The body may be viewed Satur-

LEROY WATSON

LAGRANGE — Leroy Watson, 66, of Rt. 2, LaGrange, died today at his home.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at Rouse Funeral Home.

ERNESTINE W. SMITH

GREENSBORO — Ernestine Waters Smith, 72, of 1206 W. Northwood St., died Tuesday at her home.

She was a native of Goldsboro and was retired from the sales staff of Thalhimers.

A memorial service will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. at West Market Street United Methodist Church where she was a member.

She is survived by a son, Wiley L. Smith of Chapel Hill; a daughter, Gwen S. Barnhill of Jamestown; two sisters, Marjorie Westray of Chapel Hill and Jane Rippe of Hammond, Ind.; and two grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Morris Class, c/o West Market Street United Methodist Church, 302 West Market Street, Greensboro, 27401; or to Hospice at Greensboro, 706 N. Greene St., Greensboro, 27401.

Lambeth-Troxler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

MARY JANE HARPER

Funeral services for Mary Jane Dawson Harper of 403 S. Claiborne St. will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church. Rev. O'Lea Lewis will officiate. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery.

She is survived by a daughter, Sheila Dawson Blanks of the home; a foster daughter, Beatrice Exum of Goldsboro; two sons, Christopher E. Dawson and Ivan L. Dawson of Goldsboro; and seven grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Friday night from 7 until 8 at Hamilton Funeral Home and at other times at the residence.

Faison firm destroyed

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"The fire was coming out of the roof when we got here," Jernigan pointed out. Firefighters battled the blaze for nearly three hours before bringing it under control around 5 a.m.

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Gulf War ends

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fighting, which will save a lot of our sons and grant the safety of our people," it said. "Therefore, orders were issued to all our units in the battlefield not to open fire."

With word of the cease-fire, volleys of celebratory rifle and anti-aircraft fire split the smoke-filled skies over Baghdad. The Iraqi capital, a constant target during the allied air war, came under a final blast of bombardment only hours before the truce took hold.

On ships in the Persian Gulf, on sprawling air bases and in desert camps, more than half-million U.S. troops — the biggest U.S. deployment since Vietnam — heard word of the halt to fighting.

The soldiers, many of them reservists who had never expected to see combat, expressed elation — and voiced a common wish. "I'm anxious to get back to ... my life," said Staff Sgt. Jesse Cruz, 24, of Detroit, a reservist working in Air Force medical supply in Saudi Arabia.

White House spokesman Marilyn Fitzwater said the first withdrawal of American troops could conceivably begin within a matter of days. But Bush said a permanent cease-fire depends upon the actions of Iraq.

"This war is now behind us," Bush said in a nationwide address on Wednesday night. "Ahead of us is the difficult task of securing a potentially historic peace."

Diplomats at the United Nations were setting about that task today.

Local people elated

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deployed in August.

"I'm elated. I hope our folks will be coming back as soon as possible," Plonk said.

Plonk also praised the accomplishments of the allied troops and said in addition to winning victory in Kuwait he knew they would help establish a stable situation in the region before returning.

John Henry Wooten, chairman of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners said he was pleased by the news. "We're so very close to what has gone on over there, because of the base here. I hope we can work something out so it won't happen again. I think the president has made the right decisions."

Goldsboro Mayor Pro Tem J.B. Rhodes said he was pleased the conflict is over and that the "men and women of Seymour Johnson will be coming home."

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Frank Drohan, a local businessman who organized a

The Security Council was meeting this morning, after the late-night drama of Iraq's agreement to abide by the council's resolutions on Kuwait.

The dozen Security Council resolutions passed in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait include provisions on reparations and human rights violations, an arms embargo and the renunciation of Iraqi claims to Kuwait.

Iraq's promise to abide by the resolutions came in a letter addressed to the Security Council and signed by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

"The government of Iraq agrees to fully comply with U.N. resolution 660 and all the other Security Council resolutions," it read in part.

Whatever the long-term postwar picture, the immediate terms of peace were being dictated by the victors on the battlefield. At the stroke of midnight EST — 8 a.m. today in Iraq — allied forces ceased land, sea and air attacks.

To help make sure the Iraqis knew of the cease-fire, the allies dropped leaflets on Iraqi troops and blasted the news over loudspeakers in Arabic.

With the start of the cease-fire, surviving Iraqi forces were being allowed to make their way home, military officials said.

"If they come up to U.S. positions and do not attack U.S. positions then our policy now is to allow them to pass with their weapons," said a U.S. military official in the Saudi capital of Riyadh, speaking on condition of anonymity.

hardships and sacrifices being made by the troops in the Gulf," Hammond said.

The outcome of the war should stimulate the national economy and could lead to re-hirings at several local industries that have laid off workers temporarily, said Crowell Little, city executive of First Union National Bank and chairman of the Wayne County Economic Development Commission.

"Maybe they will soon be able to add them back to their payrolls," Little said. He added that the prominent role of Seymour Johnson AFB in the war has brought Goldsboro and Wayne County national and international attention. That can only help in recruiting new business to the area, he said.

Congressman Martin Lancaster praised U.S. troops in the Middle East and their leaders, particularly President Bush.

"The leadership our men and

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WAYNESBORO KIWANIS

Jerry Howell with the Highway Patrol will be the guest speaker Thursday at 6:45 p.m. at the Waynesborough Kiwanis Club at the Regency Inn West. Prospective members 21 and above are welcome. Call Sandy Aldridge at 766-9196.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Volunteer Emergency Families for Children (VEFC) will sponsor a pancake breakfast Friday from 7 to 9 a.m., not Saturday as reported Wednesday. The breakfast will take place at First Presbyterian Church on Ash Street. Proceeds will go toward recruiting and training.

DINNER SALE

Dinners will be sold at St. Luke's Church of Christ from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday to benefit the scholarship fund. Plates are \$3.50 for dark meat and \$4 white meat.

YARD SALE

Goldsboro High School band will have its annual yard sale and auction Saturday in front of the band room from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. to raise funds for a band trip to Florida.

Prayer of N.Y., Carena Malone of New Jersey, and Quesie Carr of Charlotte; two brothers, Joseph Carr of Turkey, Willie Carr of White Plains, N.Y.; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Brock Memorial & Worley Funeral Home in Clinton.

DORIS BEST

MOUNT OLIVE — Doris Best of Rt. 6, Mount Olive, died Wednesday at Wayne Memorial Hospital in Goldsboro.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at Garriss Funeral Home.

EDWARD GEATHERS JR.

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. — Edward Geathers Jr., brother of Janie G. Williamson of Goldsboro, died Wednesday at Grand Stand Hospital.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at Peoples Funeral Home in Whiteville.

Condolences may be sent to the home of his mother at Rt. 1, Box 226, Elizabethtown, 28337.

SAMUEL F. TEAGUE JR.

MORGANTON — Samuel Farris Teague Jr., 71, a native of Goldsboro, died Wednesday at his home following a brief illness.

He was the son of the late Samuel F. Teague Sr. and Lou Norwood Teague. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II and was a retired salesman for Drexel Heritage Furniture Co.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. at Grace Episcopal Church of Morganton, of which he was a member, with the Rev. Wendell Lyn Hailin officiating. Burial will be in Forest Hill Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Teague; a son, George Teague of Raleigh; a daughter, Mary Hart Wyatt of Johnson City, Tenn.; three brothers, Norwood Teague of Palos Verdas, Calif., William Teague of Raleigh and Thomas Teague of Vienna, Va.; and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Grace Episcopal Church Building Fund, 303 S. King St., Morganton, 28655.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 until 8:30 at the home at 115 Kenwood Street in Morganton.

Arrangements are with Kirksey Funeral Home.

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Church of Christ with the Rev. J.L. Melvin officiating. Burial will be in Spruill Cemetery.

She is survived by a sister, Nina P. Heath of Goldsboro.

The body may be viewed Saturday from 4 until 8 p.m. at Rhodes Funeral Home.

MRS. ESTER STEVENS

KINSTON — Mrs. Ester Stevens, 69, of Rt. 6, Kinston, died Saturday at Mount View Rest Home in Dobson.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Sand Hill F.W.B. Church, Rt. 6, Kinston. Pastor, Elder Nathan Darden will officiate. Burial will be in the Sand Hill Church cemetery.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Christine Farr, of Long Island; four sisters, Mrs. Flaucinda Daughtry, Miss Clemmie Hobb, Mrs. Katie Taylor and Mrs. LeVaughn Stevens all of Kinston; three grandchildren.

The body may be viewed Friday from 2 until 9 p.m. at Mitchell's Funeral home in Winterville. The body will be placed in the church one hour before the funeral.

CATHERINE E. WARD

DUDLEY — Funeral services Catherine Ezzell Ward of Rt. 3, Dudley, will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at St. Luke Disciple Church with Elder L.D. Melvin officiating. Burial will be in Ward Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, Fletcher Ward Sr. of the home; three sons, Fletcher Ward Jr. of Clinton and Michael Ward and Robert Ward of the home; two sisters, Rita Williams of Philadelphia and Annie C. Begalov of Philadelphia; a brother, Robert Ezzell Jr. of Mount Olive; and a grandchild.

The body may be viewed today until 8 p.m. at Garriss Funeral Home in Mount Olive.

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For awhile, the fire threatened another business located behind Turner's on Sampson Street. A six-foot alley separating Turner's probably saved JMS Washerette, Jernigan said. The laundromat was unscathed by the fire.

In addition to personnel from the Faison Fire Department, firefighters from Calypso, Warsaw and Piney Grove also responded to the call, Jernigan said.

He expressed his gratitude to those teams and the efforts they made in putting out the fire. Such a large blaze wears out firefighters, and the extra assistance was greatly needed, Jernigan told the News-Argus.

The fire was "the worst one in town in 75 years, I reckon," said local resident Pete Joyner, who, along with others, watched firefighters from a window in Faison Pharmacy across the street.

It was the first blaze to hit Main Street in many years, officials said. "I've been with the fire department 32 years, and this is the first on Main Street," Jernigan said.

The auto supply store moved from a previous location across Main Street to its present site about two years ago, Jernigan said. Turner, through the efforts of the Faison Improvement Group (FIG), renovated the structure and made it more attractive for downtown, which is the goal of FIG.

The burned building had been Veteran's Hardware Store for about 20 years before Turner bought it.

The building is located next door to Danny's Variety Shop, the oldest building in town and former home of the town's post office, according to onlookers. The variety escaped damage.

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Frank Drohan, a local businessman who organized a massive support rally here in January, said his phone is ringing off the hook with people ready to hold another one.

However, Drohan said he is targeting July 4 as the date for a giant welcome home parade.

"I don't want to leave any people out, not the KC-10 pilots or the Fremont National Guard," said Drohan. "I know it's a long way away but it's going to take some time before they all get back."

More than 10,000 American flags have already been donated for the homecoming event. The Goldsboro Exchange Club is donating 10,000 small flags and K-Mart has offered 70 large flags to hang from every pole "up and down Berkeley Boulevard until the guys all get home," said Drohan.

He is also organizing an "Operation Financial Support" fund for the families of reservists and National Guard members here.

Drohan said donations should be made out to Operation Family Support and a special account will be opened at the New East Bank.

"The money will be turned over to the local outfits and they can distribute the money the way they want," he explained. "The money will help families here and in Fremont and Mount Olive," he added.

Mayor Hal K. Plonk said he has been waiting for such an outcome since U.S. troops were first

handed the weapons here."

Goldsboro Mayor Pro Tem J.B. Rhodes said he was pleased the conflict is over and that the "men and women of Seymour Johnson will be coming home."

"I'm glad they went in, did what they had to do, and got it over," Rhodes said, adding that he hopes Saddam Hussein does not go unpunished.

The end of the war could spark an economic revival in the area, said local economic leaders.

"Assuming it is a permanent peace, it could shorten the recession," said Troy Pate, chairman of the board of East Coast Federal Savings Bank and chairman of the military affairs committee of the Chamber of Commerce of Wayne County.

"We're just very grateful that this thing has come to an end as quickly as it has," said Pate, who expressed sympathy for families who lost loved ones in the fighting.

Rex Hammond, executive director of the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, said local chamber members are thrilled with the news. "We couldn't be more proud of the troops," he said.

Hammond added he hoped the end of the conflict would signal the end of the national recession as well as loosen local spending, helping business owners hurt by the deployment.

"Even though some businesses have felt the stress from the deployment, they were reluctant to complain because they know the

Global and International attention. That can only help in securing new business to the area, he said.

Congressman Martin Lancaster praised U.S. troops in the Middle East and their leaders, particularly President Bush.

"The leadership our men and women in uniform have had in the prosecution of the war in the Middle East has been superb," Lancaster said in a prepared statement. "I commend the leaders and the personnel in the field. It was a great victory of the democratic coalition against the forces of oppression and aggression."

"As he has done throughout the operation, President Bush has seized the initiative, this time for peace, by declaring a suspension of military action. I commend and support him."

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